

HOUSE RESOLUTION 312
By Herron

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mark John Maracle for
outstanding work as an intern.

WHEREAS, through the course of each legislative session, there have on occasion emerged certain individuals who far exceed the basic requirements set forth for them to follow; and

WHEREAS, Mark John Maracle has distinguished himself as one such individual through his work as a legislative intern for Representative Roy Herron, his efforts resulting in untold benefits for the member he served and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded student at David Lipscomb University, Mark has excelled both academically and in extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, he will graduate in August, 1996, with a Bachelor's degree in Government and Public Administration; and

WHEREAS, Mark joined the U.S. Marines in June of 1985; he was promoted to Sergeant during Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, he was accepted for the Marine Corp Enlisted Commissioner Education Program in April of 1991; upon receiving his degree he will be commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Maracle has been twice decorated, receiving the Navy Achievement Medal and the Bronze Star for heroism during the Gulf War; and

WHEREAS, Mark lost his mother in 1991 and his father in 1994; he was left to care for his younger sister after his parents' deaths; and

WHEREAS, his father was a member of the Mohawk Nation; his mother was a member of the Seneca Nation; they were both part of the Iroquois Confederation; and

WHEREAS, his uncommonly good manners caused him to use words like “sir” and “ma’am” when addressing most anyone; and

WHEREAS, during the 1996 legislative session, Mr. Maracle exceeded all standards with regard to the qualities that are expected of a dedicated and competent legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, this disciplined, dignified and friendly young man has the “can do” attitude that is necessary to survive in anything; and

WHEREAS, eager to learn more about the intricacies and idiosyncrasies of Tennessee state government and to aid in his studies, Mark brought many skills to the State Capitol for the 1996 session of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Maracle has performed many responsibilities with extraordinary ingenuity and decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Mark John Maracle for his outstanding service as a legislative intern and wish him much success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.